

Grade 4 Writing Scoring Rubric

Tier 3

Rubric Elements	Full Evidence	Partial Evidence	Limited Evidence	Unrelated Evidence
Organization – The narrative establishes a situation (i.e., activity and setting) and includes a character. The response provides a conclusion.	The narrative includes at a minimum: character and situation (activity and setting) description of character and situation (activity or setting) a conclusion that connects to the situation	The narrative includes at a minimum: character and situation (activity or setting) description of the character or the situation (activity or setting) a conclusion that may not connect to the situation	The narrative includes at a minimum some evidence related to a character, details or descriptive words related to a character, situation, or conclusion.	There is no evidence of organization or the evidence is off topic.
Idea Development – The narrative includes a description of events using concrete words or sensory details (e.g., how things look, sound, taste, smell or feel) related to the events.	The narrative includes at a minimum: □ two events related to the situation □ both events include a detail related to a character's action or response to a situation	The narrative includes at a minimum: two events related to the situation one of the events includes a detail related to a character's action or response to a situation	The narrative includes at a minimum an event related to the situation.	There is no evidence of idea development or the evidence is off topic.
Conventions – Students use standard English conventions (e.g., subject/verb agreement).	The narrative includes more than one sentence and at a minimum: capitalization at the beginning of the majority of thought units end punctuation for more than one thought unit one complex thought unit that expresses a complete idea with subject/verb agreement Ex: "The dog runs"	The narrative includes at a minimum: capitalization to begin one thought unit punctuation to end one thought unit one complex thought unit that expresses a complete idea with or without subject/verb agreement	The narrative includes at a minimum one use of Standard English conventions.	There is no evidence of Standard English conventions.



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Tier 2

Rubric Elements	Full Evidence	Partial Evidence	Limited Evidence	Unrelated Evidence
Organization – The narrative establishes a situation (i.e., activity or setting) and includes a character. The response provides a conclusion.	The narrative includes at a minimum: character and situation a concluding statement that connects to the situation	The narrative includes at a minimum: character and situation a concluding statement that may not connect to the situation	The narrative includes at a minimum some evidence related to a character, situation, or conclusion.	There is no evidence of organization or the evidence is off topic.
Idea Development – The narrative includes a description of events using concrete words or sensory details (e.g., adverbs, adjectives, clause, or prepositional phrase) related to the events.	The narrative includes at a minimum: □ two events related to the situation □ both of the events include a detail related to character's action or response to a situation	The narrative includes at a minimum: two events related to the situation one of the events includes a detail related to a character's action or response to a situation	The narrative includes at a minimum an event related to the situation.	There is no evidence of idea development or the evidence is off topic.
<u>Conventions</u> – Students use standard English conventions (e.g., subject/verb agreement).	The essay includes more than one sentence and at a minimum: end punctuation to end more than one thought unit one complex thought unit that expresses a complete idea with subject/verb agreement Ex: "The dog runs" or "the dog runs"	The narrative includes at a minimum: end punctuation to end one thought unit one complex thought unit with or without subject/verb agreement	The narrative includes at a minimum one use of Standard English conventions.	There is no evidence of Standard English conventions.